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In re Application of:)
Yoshihito ISHIBASHI et al.) Group Art Unit: 2165
Application No.: 09/396,054) Examiner: Neveen ABEL JALIL
Filed: September 15, 1999)
For: CONTENT MANAGEMENT METHOD,) Confirmation No.: 6914
AND CONTENT STORAGE SYSTEM)

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(d), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents on the attached listing. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after the events recited in Section 1.97(c), but before the payment of the issue fee. Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d), this Information Disclosure Statement includes a statement as specified under § 1.97(e) and the required fee of \$180.00 set forth in § 1.17(p).

Each document listed in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in a communication from the Japanese Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application, and this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the mailing date of that communication.

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Copies of the listed foreign patent documents are enclosed. English-language Abstracts of the listed foreign patent documents are also enclosed for the Examiner's convenience. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

The documents were cited in an Office Action from the Japanese Patent Office, dated December 11, 2007. A copy of this Japanese Office Action is enclosed. Applicants do not necessarily endorse any conclusions set forth in this Japanese Office Action.

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